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# CityScope

*a community newsletter for the residents of Chandler*

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Watch next month for information about a new Shop Chandler Discount Pass offering savings throughout Chandler!

The estimated population for the City of Chandler as of August 1, 2004, is 225,841.

## Arizona Balloon Festival Takes Off

Get ready to watch the night skies of Chandler glow with the illumination of dozens of hot air balloons, as the 2004 Arizona Balloon Festival finds its home at Tumbleweed Park in Chandler. The event takes place November 19-21 at the park located at the south-west corner of Germann and McQueen roads. Each morning the event will begin before dawn against the backdrop of the scenic San Tan Mountains. Activities will include balloon races, dawn patrol, desert glow at sunset, skydiving stunts by the Air Force Academy



Wings of Blue parachute team, music, arts and crafts, food vendors and more.

Buy your tickets in advance from Arizona Balloon Festival for \$4 or at the gate for \$5 each day, or \$10 for a full weekend ticket.

Kids 12 and younger are free. VIP passes will be available for \$25 and include one single day ticket to the event, light snacks and beverages in the VIP tent and a VIP parking pass. Parking at the event costs \$4 or \$7 for VIP parking.

For more information go to [www.arizonaballoonfest.com](http://www.arizonaballoonfest.com)

or call (480) 704-5140.

## Dispose Of Household Products Safely

Residents who participate in Chandler's Household Hazardous Waste Collection events take an active role in diverting this waste from Chandler's landfill. Hundreds of residents participate in the events that are held twice a year.

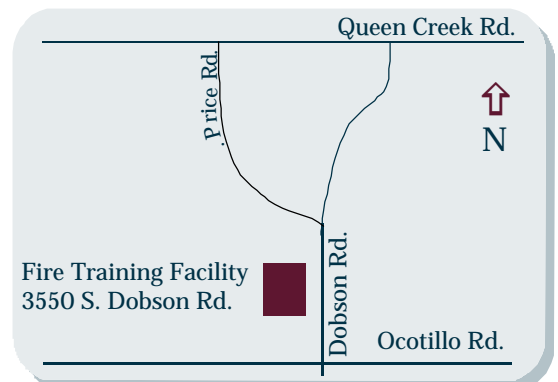
Chandler's next Household Hazardous Waste Collection event will take place on Saturday, November 6, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Chandler Fire Training Facility located at 3550 S. Dobson Road. Residents should bring picture identification and a recent Chandler utility bill showing City-provided trash service. Residents who live in a multi-family complex should bring their most recent rent receipt for the unit they occupy.

No commercial business waste, ammunition, gun powder, or bio-hazard materials will be accepted.

For more information, call 480-782-3510.

### Items accepted include, but are not limited to:

- pool chemicals
- pesticides
- standard vehicle tires (5 per resident)
- fluorescent tubes
- solvents
- fire extinguishers
- computers
- sharps and lancets (In a sealed container)
- herbicides
- paint
- batteries (auto & household)
- propane tanks
- cell phones
- cleaning products
- automotive products (oil, fuel, antifreeze)



## Calendar Of Events

Call the Special Events Hotline  
(480) 782-2735

or go to [www.ChandlerAZ.gov](http://www.ChandlerAZ.gov)

### September

- 9, 23 City Council meeting, Council Chambers, 782-2180
- 10 Garibaldi Night & Hispanic Heritage Month Photo Exhibit Opening Reception
- 11 Mariachi Festival
- 14, 21, 28 Fall Starlight Concert Series, Arrowhead Meadows Park
- 14, 21, 28 Landscape Classes, 782-3580
- 17 FREE! Marshall Trimble & Sue Harris, Center for the Arts, 782-2680
- 18 Kidz Art, Handmade Books in a Box with Barbara Burton, Vision Gallery, 917-6859
- 24 Project WET Water Festival, Arrowhead Park, 782-3580
- 25 Kidz Art, Botanical Sketching with Mary Lou Stewart, Vision Gallery, 917-6859

### October

- 3 Salt River Brass, Center for the Arts, 782-2680
- 5, 12, 19, 26 Fall Starlight Concert Series, Arrowhead Meadows Park, 782-2735
- 8 Ms. Indian Arizona Scholarship Program, Center for the Arts, 782-2680
- 9 Fall Rhythm Fest, Tumbleweed Park
- 9 Latino Film Celebration Center for the Arts, 782-2214
- 9 17th Annual Desert Classic Chevy's, Inc. Extravaganza, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park (east side of Arizona Ave.)
- 9 Kidz Art, Pop-Up Book Making with Barbara Burton, Vision Gallery, 917-6859
- 12, 19, 26 Landscape Classes, 782-3580
- 14, 28 City Council meeting, Council Chambers, 782-2180
- 15 San Marcos Symphony, Center for the Arts, 782-2680
- 16 Kidz Art, Offrendas with Sally Middleton, Vision Gallery, 917-6859
- 17 Mesa Symphony, Center for the Arts, 782-2680
- 23 Kidz Art, Making Sugar Skulls with Candee Lewis, Vision Gallery, 917-6859
- 30 Family Halloween Festivities, Downtown Library Plaza, 782-2735
- 31 St. Olaf Orchestra, Center for the Arts, 782-2680

## Police Department News

### Neighbors GAIN By Getting Involved

Neighbors are invited to join in the annual **"Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods"** (G.A.I.N.) crime and drug prevention event, October 16 from 2 to 8 p.m. Neighborhoods participating in GAIN Night activities should contact Officer Bill Nocella at (480) 782-4531 to schedule an appearance by McGruff the Crime Dog, the Chandler Police Department Clown Troop, Canine Officers or other Public Safety resources available for your events.

### City Council Approves Ordinance To Fight Domestic Violence

The City Council unanimously adopted a new ordinance in July making it a crime to prevent or interfere with the use of a telephone in an emergency situation. Prosecutors have noticed a recurring scenario in which victims – particularly in domestic violence cases – often have the telephone taken away or unplugged as they try to report an act of violence or other crime. This makes it difficult for the victim, but also for police to respond if a call is inter-

rupted before all the information can be taken down by police dispatchers.

### Police Host Bi-Monthly Beat Meetings For Neighbors

Beat meetings offer residents the opportunity to not only share concerns about crime in their area, but meet officers who patrol their beat as well. Contact the Chandler Police Department Crime Prevention Team at (480) 782-4320 for the date and location of your next meeting.

### Political Signs

With a political election just around the corner, the City has received calls from residents concerned about the many signs lining the City streets. Section 39 - 10.8 of the City Code covers the Political Sign Code Requirements. In an attempt to make it as easy as possible to deal with political sign issues, the Police Department has created a page on their Web Site, [www.chandlerpd.com](http://www.chandlerpd.com), that covers where signs can be placed, what size they are limited to and who is responsible for their removal.

## 'What's Up?' Downtown

Returning to Downtown Chandler is the Desert Classic Chevy, Inc. (DCCI) Extravaganza. During this classic car show on October 9, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., nearly 100 Chevy's built before 1973 will be displayed. In addition to the car show, there will be music and raffle drawings to support local charities.

The Vision Gallery kicks off its annual *Day of the Dead Celebration: Día de los Muertos!*, October 22, with an artists' reception from 7 to 9 p.m. The Celebration features an exhibition of altars created by local artists that will be on display October 22 - November 4. The Day of the Dead is a holiday originating in Mexico in which families remember their dead, and celebrate the continuity of life. The Vision Gallery is located in historic Downtown Chandler at 80 S. San Marcos Place. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Be A Responsible Pet Owner



Pets can be a rewarding addition to any family, but they come with responsibilities. Courtesy and respect are part of being a good neighbor and are also a necessity when it comes to pet ownership.

Abiding by leash laws and cleaning up animal waste are some of the courtesies that residents should provide. Another is making sure that pets don't disturb the peace by barking or howling at inappropriate times.

The following is some basic information that every resident should know about pet ownership in the City of Chandler:

- Dogs four months of age and older must be vaccinated against rabies and licensed annually as proof of rabies vaccination.
- Dogs may not be loose unless they are being used for livestock control or hunting.
- Dogs outside of the residence must be in a suitable enclosure or confined on a leash no longer than six feet in length.
- It is unlawful for dog owners to harbor a dog which barks or howls on a consistent basis and disturbs the peace of neighbors.

Enforcement of most laws and ordinances involving cats and dogs is the responsibility of Maricopa County Rabies and Animal Control. An informational brochure about pet ownership responsibilities is available by calling (480) 782-2220.

### Important Phone Numbers

#### **Maricopa County Rabies & Animal Control**

(Dogs-at-large, licensing, bites & vicious dogs)  
(602) 506-7387

#### **City Animal Control**

(Barking dogs, vicious dogs, and dead animals)  
(480) 782-4130

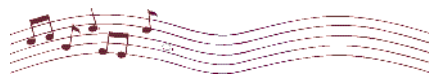
#### **Arizona Humane Society**

(Injured/sick animals and animal abuse)  
(602) 997-7585

#### **Animal Rescue Groups**

Charm (602) 470-0131  
Friends for Life (480) 497-8296  
AZ HART (602) 843-4690  
Arizona Animal Welfare League (602) 273-6852

Cruelty to animals is a serious offense and violators will be prosecuted. To report animal abuse, call the Arizona Humane Society at (602) 997-7585.



## Chandler Fire Reminder

*Fire Prevention Week Is October 3-9*

The Chandler Fire Department wants you to know that not all fires are created equal. That's why you need to be sure you have working smoke alarms in your home for the maximum in fire-safety protection. You should have a smoke alarm on every level of your home and in every bedroom. You should also test your smoke alarms monthly and change the batteries at least once a year. By maintaining a working smoke alarm, your chances of surviving a fire increase by 50 percent. In addition, be sure you and your family create an escape plan taking into consideration the limitations of each family member. Remember to practice this escape plan with your family twice a year.

*It's Fire Prevention Week -- Test Your Smoke Alarms*

## Fall Rhythm Fest 2004

The annual Fall Rhythm Fest will take place at Tumbleweed Park on Saturday, October 9. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. and will conclude at approximately 10:15 p.m. with a fireworks display.

Participants can enjoy a variety of musical talents with entertainment by the Azz Izz Band, Somebody's Closet, and Sunday Afternoon.

This family event will also feature interactive amusements for children. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Admission is free, some children's activities require minimal fees.

Tumbleweed Park is located at 2250 S. McQueen Road. For additional information, call the Special Events Hotline at 480-782-2735.

